THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b) With a view to augment the States' own efforts to set up hydro-electric projects, the Central Government also takes up such projects in the Central Sector through its corporations like NHPC and NEEPCO. Projects thus taken up in the Central Sector are for the benefit of all the States of the region.

Four hydro-electric schemes with total installed capacity of 780 MW have been executed in the Central Sector and are in operation. These schemes are Salal-I (345 MW) in J & K, Baira Siul (180 MW) in Himachal Pradesh, Loktak (105 MW) in Manipur and Kopili (150 MW) in Assam/Meghalaya.

Twelve hydro-electric schemes with total installation of 5905 MW are under various stages of execution in Central Sector.

Setting up of Bio-Gas Plants in States

925. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON - CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of bio-gas plants in different states which have been set up at present under the National Scheme for bio-gas programme; and

(b) what is the number of bio-gas plants that are proposed to be set up during the current year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) A total of over 14 lakh family type biogas plants have been set up during the period 1981-82 to 1990-91 under the National Project for Biogas Development. The State-wise details are given in Statement. (See below)

(b) A target of setting up of 1.47 lakh family type biogas plants has been fixed for the current financial year (1991-92) under the National Project for Biogas Development.

Statement

State-wise total number of biogas plants set up during 1981-82 to 1990-91 under National Project on biogas development

S. No.	State/Union Territories	Total No. of Plants Set up during 1981-82 to 1990-91
1	2	3
1	Andhra Pradesh	97905
2	Arunachal Pradesh	52
3	Assam	9748
4	Bihar	62866
5	Goa	1664
6	Gujarat	119449
7	Haryana	20077
8	Himachal Pradesh	24490

1	2	3
9	Jammu & Kashmir	893
10	Karnataka	72554
11	Kerala	27171
12	Madhya Pradesh	40969
13	Maharashtra	421046
14	Manipur	416
15	Meghalaya	219
16	Mizoram	711
17	Nagaland	124
18	Orissa	61429
19	Punjab	17195
20	Rajasthan	38382
21	Sikkim	539
22	Tamil Nadu	137079
23	Tripura	164
24	Uttar Pradesh	197869
25	West Bengal	49176
26	Andaman & Nicobar	98
27	Chandigarh	78
28	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	143
29	Delhi	660
30	Pondicherry	472

Shortage of appartus in Coal Mines

926. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an acute shortage of rescue apparatus in coal mines under the control of subsidiary companies of Coal India Limited; and

(b) if so, what action is being taken to purchase the equipment for rescue stations?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Steps to curb consumption of Petroleum Products

927. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any fresh steps are being taken to curb the consumption of petrol and petroleum products keeping in view the heavy import bill; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the results achieved so far?